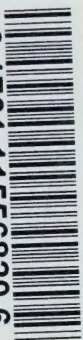



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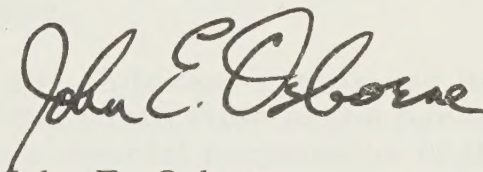




## FOREWORD

This memorandum includes selected federal legislation related to the broad field of social welfare from 1908 to the end of the session ended by dissolution on February 26, 1974. It is not intended to be a complete list. For the most part, it includes major legislation, although some legislation, for example, that authorizing federal aid for unemployment assistance in the 1920's, is listed as a matter of historical interest. Major amendments are included and, for reference purposes, the statute citation is given for each Act and amendments are indicated by the statute year. Changes made by regulation are not included.

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- 1908 Government Annuities Act, S.C. 1908, c. 5. (Amendments to 1927 incorporated in R.S.C. 1927, c. 7; amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 132; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. G-6.)

Authorized the sale of immediate or deferred annuities to any purchaser upon payment of a specified sum at fixed and definite intervals. Authorized any society or any incorporated fraternal, benevolent or religious body to contract on behalf of its members for the sale to its members of annuities, and employers to purchase annuities for their employees with contributions from either or both. Administered by the Minister of Labour.

- 1908 The Juvenile Delinquents Act, S.C. 1908, c. 40. (Amendments to 1927 incorporated in R.S.C. 1927, c. 108; Act repealed and replaced in 1929.)

Provided for certain procedures to apply to juveniles under the age of sixteen years in those provinces or parts of a province for which the Act was expressly proclaimed.

Provided for private trials for children, authorized informal proceedings and prohibited the publication of the name of a child or its parent or guardian without special permission of the judge.

Provided that the Act "be liberally construed that its purpose be carried out, namely, that the care and custody and discipline of a juvenile delinquent be as nearly as that which should be given by its parents, and that so far as practicable every juvenile delinquent be treated not as a criminal but as a misdirected and misguided child, and one needing aid, encouragement, help and assistance."

Provided that the juvenile court have exclusive jurisdiction in cases of delinquency under the Act, with certain exceptions for indictable offences.

- 1917 The War Charities Act, S.C. 1917, c. 38. (Repealed, S.C. 1926-27, c. 39.)

Prohibited war charities (any fund, institution, or association, other than a church or the Salvation Army, having as an object the relief of suffering or distress or the supplying of needs or comforts to sufferers from the war, or their families or dependants, or any other charitable purpose connected with the War) to appeal to the public for funds unless registered with the Secretary of State or other designated Minister. Set the conditions to be met by war charities.

- 1917 The Soldier Settlement Act, 1917, S.C. 1917, c. 21. (Repealed and replaced by the Soldier Settlement Act, 1919.)

Authorized the Minister of the Interior to grant up to 160 acres of land from land reserver for the purpose to a settler (a returned soldier or the widow of any person who died on active service in World War I).

Established "The Soldier Settlement Board" of three commissioners appointed by the Governor in Council to hold office during good behaviour but not beyond the age of 70 years.

Authorized the Board to make loans to settlers under specified conditions for acquiring or improvement of agricultural land, the payment of incumbrances on such land, the erection of farm buildings; the purchase of stock, machinery and equipment, and such other purposes as approved by the Board. Authorized the Board, with the approval of the Governor in Council, to make provision for agricultural instruction and training for soldiers and for training in domestic and household science for soldiers' wives and female dependants.

- 1918 Appropriation Act, No. 3, S.C. 1919, c. 35.

Included an item in the Main Estimates (Vote 299) of \$25 million for loans to provincial governments to encourage housing construction in congested districts throughout Canada under the terms and conditions of the Order in Council of December 3, 1918.

P.C. 2997 dated December 3, 1918 (see S.C. 1919, p. lxxxv) anticipated an intensification of the housing shortage with the return of soldiers from overseas and their re-establishment with their families in civil life and occupations. Authorized the Minister of Finance under the provisions of the War Measures Act to make available federal funds not to exceed \$25 million for loans to the provinces on a population basis for a period of up to twenty years with interest at five percent for the construction of low-rental housing.

- 1918 The Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, S.C. 1918, c. 42. (Amendments to 1927 incorporated in R.S.C. 1927, c. 187; repealed 1928 by the Department of Pensions and National Health Act.)

Established the Department of Soldiers Civil Re-establishment to have responsibility for matters relating to the re-establishment in civil life of veterans of World War I and the care of their dependants.

- 1918 The Employment Offices Co-ordination Act, S.C. 1918, c. 21; R.S.C. 1927, c. 57. (Repealed on proclamation January, 1943, under the authority of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1940.)



Authorized the Minister of Labour, under agreements with the provinces, to encourage the organization and co-ordination of employment offices operated by provincial governments and to promote uniformity of methods among them; to establish one or more clearinghouses for the exchange of information between employment offices; to compile and distribute information regarding conditions of employment. Authorized the payment to the provinces of funds toward the maintenance of employment offices.

- 1919 The Department of Health Act, S.C. 1919, c. 24. (Amendment of 1920 incorporated in R.S.C. 1927, c. 90; Act repealed 1928 by the Department of Pensions and National Health Act.)

Established the Department of Health (Canada), bringing together health services from a number of federal departments. Established the Dominion Council of Health consisting of the Deputy Minister of Health as chairman, the chief executive officer of the provincial department or board of health of each province and not more than five other persons appointed by the Governor in Council for a term of three years. The duties of the Council were to be as prescribed by the Governor in Council.

- 1919 The Soldier Settlement Act, S.C. 1919, c. 71; R.S.C. 1927, c. 188. (Amended: S.C. 1928, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1932-33, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1938, 1946, 1950 (The Regulations Act).)

Repealed the Soldier Settlement Act, 1917. Authorized the Soldier Settlement Board, as established under the former Act, to purchase or acquire lands for sale to settlers (that is persons who at any time during World War I had been on active service in specified military forces and had been honourably discharged, or the widow of any person who died on active service); authorized the Board to sell livestock and equipment to settlers under conditions set out in the Act; to make advances for improvements; and to make provision for the training and instruction in agriculture of soldiers and for the training in home economics of their wives and female dependants.

Authorized the Minister of the Interior to make to any settler a free soldier grant of not more than 160 acres from Dominion lands under his jurisdiction.

- 1919 The Pension Act, S.C. 1919, c. 43. (Amendments to 1927 incorporated in R.S.C. 1927, c. 157; amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 207; amended: R.S.C. 1952, c. 332, S.C. 1953-54, 1957, 1957-58, 1960-61, 1966-67 (The Canadian Forces Reorganization Act), 1968-69 (The Government Organization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. 207. Further amended by S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 34.)

Provided for pensions for disabled members of the Armed Forces and their dependants, and for pensions for dependants on the death of a member of the Armed Forces. Administered by the Board of Pension Commissioners for Canada.

1921 Appropriation Act, No. 2, S.C. 1921, c. 54.

Included in the Further Supplementary Estimates (Schedule C) for the fiscal year 1920-21 an amount for emergency relief pursuant to the Governor-General's warrant issued January 24, 1921 (P.C. 139), for \$500,000 to pay one-third of the emergency relief disbursed by municipalities, and contained (Schedule D) an amount for unemployment relief for the fiscal year 1921-22. (Emergency relief covered payment for food, clothing, shelter, and in exceptional circumstances, medical attendance.)

P.C. 3831 of October 7, 1921, outlined the policy of the federal government in respect of unemployment and extended the provisions for which federal aid could be given to include one-third of the actual cost over the estimated normal cost of municipal works provided to relieve unemployment in the normal working season, conditional upon the Province contributing on an equal basis.

Administered by the Minister of Labour.

1922 Appropriation Acts, Nos. 2 and 3, S.C. 1922, cc. 2 and 53.

1923

Included in the Estimates amounts for unemployment relief. A series of Orders in Council authorized payments to the provinces for the period January-March, 1922, inclusive, with some extensions and special provisions for the fiscal year 1922-23. The principal Orders in Council were P.C. 191 and P.C. 220.

P.C. 191 of January 25, 1922, effective for the period January 1 to March 31, 1922, authorized federal aid of 50 percent of the extra cost of public works undertaken during the winter months conditional upon the provinces assuming responsibility for one-third of such expenditure; authorized federal payment to provinces with unorganized districts of one-half of costs of relief and of the administration of relief in those districts; authorized reimbursement to municipal authorities for one-half the assistance given unemployed former members of the Canadian or British forces discharged as physically fit conditional upon the remainder being borne equally by the province and the municipality. Noted that "It is the expectation of the Federal authorities that the provisions herein will be interpreted broadly and generously by the municipalities so that no resident of Canada willing and able to work and unable to secure employment shall lack food, clothing or shelter for himself or herself and dependants."



Under P.C. 220 of February 5, 1923, the federal government offered to cooperate with central bodies in certain municipalities composed of representatives of a municipality and various charitable and veteran organizations for disbursements of relief from January 1 to March 31, 1923, to ex-service men not eligible for assistance from the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, to the extent of one-third of such disbursements. Federal expenditures were to be payable out of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1922-23 for unemployment relief administered by the Minister of Labour.

1926 The Appropriation Act, No. 2, S.C. 1926-27, c. 2.

Contained authorization for funds to provide amounts due various municipalities and provinces as authorized by P.C. 315.

Under P.C. 315 of March 2, 1926, effective January 1 to March 31, 1926, the federal government agreed to contribute one-third of the disbursement made by municipalities for unemployment relief conditional upon the participation on an equal basis by the province; to reimburse a province with unorganized districts for one-half of cost of work provided by municipalities to relieve unemployment with the municipality bearing the normal cost, and the municipal, provincial and federal governments bearing equally the excess cost.

1927 The Old Age Pensions Act, S.C. 1927, c. 35; R.S.C. 1927, c. 156. (Amended: S.C. 1931, 1937, 1947, 1949, 1950 (The Regulation Act); Act repealed 1951 by the Old Age Security Act.)

Authorized federal reimbursement of 50 percent to provinces for pensions to a maximum of \$240 a year paid on a means test basis to British subjects aged 70 and over who had resided in Canada for at least 20 years and in the province for at least 5 years. Authorized the Governor in Council to make agreements with the provinces, required the Minister of Finance to make an annual report to Parliament on the operation of the agreements, and authorized the Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Labour, and with the approval of Treasury Board, to make regulations relating to the provisions of the Act.

1928 The Department of Pensions and National Health Act, S.C. 1928, c. 39. (Repealed 1944 by the Department of National Health and Welfare Act and by the Department of Veterans Affairs Act.)

Repealed the Department of Health Act and the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, and incorporated their functions. Responsibility for veterans of World War I included care and treatment, grants and allowances, and sheltered employment.

- 1929 The Juvenile Delinquents Act, 1929, S.C. 1929, c. 46. (Amendments of S.C. 1932, 1935, 1936, 1947, 1949, 1951 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 160, amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. J-3; amended by S.C. 1972.)

Repealed and replaced the Juvenile Delinquents Act, 1908. Among other revisions, authorized a province, at its option, to raise the age of a child coming under the jurisdiction of the Act from sixteen to eighteen years.

- 1930 The War Veterans' Allowance Act, S.C. 1930, c. 48. (Amended: S.C. 1936, 1938 (see also Appropriation Acts, 1943 and 1944); repealed and re-enacted 1946.)

Provided for allowances for veterans in need because of age or physical or mental disability, and for allowances on behalf of their wives and dependent children. Charged the Department of Pensions and National Health with the administration of the Act subject to the directions of the War Veterans' Allowance Committee.

- 1930 The Unemployment Relief Act, 1930, S.C. 1930, 2nd session, c. 1. (Expired March 31, 1931.)

Provided for federal aid not exceeding \$20 million towards the relief of unemployment through public works and undertakings, and provided for financial aid to provinces and municipalities under such terms and conditions as approved by the Governor in Council.

- 1931 An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, S.C. 1931, c. 42.

Increased the federal share of pensions from 50 to 75 percent.

- 1931 The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931, S.C. 1931, c. 58. (Expired March 31, 1932.)

Provided for the payment from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of such moneys as the Governor in Council deemed necessary to relieve agricultural and other distress and to provide employment, and authorized the Governor in Council to assist provinces, municipalities and other bodies or associations by loans or guarantees. Authorized the federal government to provide public works and other undertakings to relieve unemployment, and to assist in defraying the cost of the production, sale and distribution of products of the field, farm, forest, sea, river and mine.

- 1932 The Unemployment and Farm Relief Continuance Act, 1932, S.C. 1932, c. 13. (Expired May 1, 1932.)

Extended the terms of the 1931 Act.



1932 The Relief Act, 1932, S.C. 1932, c. 36. (Expired March 31, 1933.)

Authorized the federal government to enter into agreements with the provinces respecting relief measures; to grant financial assistance to any province by way of loan, advance, guarantee or otherwise; and to take such measures necessary or advisable to protect the credit and financial position of the Dominion or of any province. The federal government was authorized to provide for special relief, works and undertakings in the National Parks of Canada; to continue relief measures undertaken in the drought-stricken areas of Saskatchewan by the Saskatchewan Relief Commission; to assist in defraying the cost of the sale and distribution of the products of the field, farm, forest, sea, river and mine; and to take other measures deemed necessary or advisable for carrying out the provisions of the Act. Provided for the payment from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of expenditures under the Act.

Required the Department of Labour to submit to Parliament a report on the administration of the Act.

1933 The Relief Act, 1933, S.C. 1933, c. 18. (Expired March 31, 1934.)

Provided for the continuation of federal aid toward unemployment relief under agreements with the provinces.

Authorized the federal government to provide special relief, works and undertakings in the National Parks; to assist in defraying the cost of the sale and distribution of products of field, farm, forest, sea, river and mine; and to take any measures necessary or advisable for carrying out the provision of the Act.

Limited to \$20 million the amount which might be expended on direct relief by the federal government for the fiscal year 1933-34. Required the Department of Labour to report to Parliament on the administration of the Act.

1934 The Relief Act 1934, S.C. 1934, c. 15. (Expired March 31, 1935.)

Provided for the continuation of federal aid toward unemployment relief under agreements with the provinces. Also authorized the federal government to provide special relief, works and undertakings under the control and direction of the Department of National Defence and the Department of the Interior, and to take all such other measures deemed necessary or advisable for carrying out the provisions of the Act.

Authorized the Governor in Council to pay out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund such moneys deemed necessary for the purposes of the Act, and to pay out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund delayed accounts for the fiscal year 1933-34 in excess of the \$20 million authorized by the 1933 Act.

Required the Department of Labour to submit to Parliament a report on the administration of the Act.

1935 The Relief Act, 1935, S.C. 1935, c. 13. (Expired March 31, 1936.)

Provided for the continuation of federal aid toward unemployment relief as under the 1934 Act. Authorized the federal government to grant financial assistance to the Canadian Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited by way of loan, advances, guarantees. Required the Department of Labour to report to Parliament on the administration of the Act.

1935 The Dominion Housing Act, 1935, S.C. 1935, c. 58. (Repealed and replaced by the National Housing Act, 1938.)

Authorized federal assistance in the construction of houses for persons of moderate income by making loans available through lending institutions.

1935 The Employment and Social Insurance Act, S.C. 1935, c. 38. (Declared ultra vires by the Privy Council. Repealed by the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1940.)

Provided for the establishment of an employment and social insurance commission to administer a national employment service and a program of insurance against unemployment for specified classes of persons with contributions to be made by the employee and the employer; provided for assistance during unemployment of persons in employments exempted from insurance coverage, and for training, in cooperation with the educational authorities, to rehabilitate unemployed persons.

1936 The Unemployment Relief and Assistance Act, 1936, S.C. 1936, cc. 15, 46. (Expired March 31, 1937.)

Authorized the continuation of agreements with the provinces respecting relief measures, and provided for federal cooperation in expanding industrial employment, fostering agricultural settlement and re-settlement, conserving and developing natural resources, and constructing public works. Authorized expenditures to be paid out of moneys appropriated for relief by Parliament for the fiscal year 1936-37. Administered by the Minister of Labour.

1937 The Unemployment Relief and Agricultural Assistance Act, 1937, S.C. 1937, c. 44. (Expired March 31, 1938.)

Authorized agreements with the provinces for alleviation of unemployment conditions and of agricultural distress. Authorized the Governor in Council to enter into agreements with corporations, partnerships or individuals engaged in industry respecting the expansion of industrial employment. Authorized expenditures under the Act to be paid out of moneys appropriated by Parliament. Administered by the Minister of Labour.



1937 An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, S.C. 1937, c. 13.

Provided pensions for the needy blind aged 40 years and over at the same rates as old age pensions.

1938 The Unemployment and Agricultural Assistance Act, 1938, S.C. 1938, c. 25. (Expired March 31, 1939.)

Authorized the continuation of federal assistance similar to that of the 1937 Act.

1938 The National Housing Act, 1938, S.C. 1938, c. 49. (Replaced by the National Housing Act, 1944.)

Repealed and replaced the Dominion Housing Act, 1935. Incorporated and extended provisions of the 1935 Act to assist in the improvement of housing conditions and to stimulate the construction and building material industries. Authorized direct loans by the federal government to local housing authorities to assist in the construction of low-rental housing. Administered by the Minister of Finance.

1939 The Unemployment and Agricultural Assistance Act, 1939, S.C. 1939, c. 26. (Expired March 31, 1940.)

Authorized the federal government to continue for a further period to support and supplement the measures of the provinces and other bodies to assist persons in need, and to establish unemployed persons in gainful employment, and to train others for employment.

1939 The Youth Training Act, 1939, S.C. 1939, c. 35.

Provided for federal aid to the provinces for the purpose of assisting in the training of unemployed young people between sixteen and thirty years of age inclusive, to prepare them for employment. Authorized funds for three years not to extend beyond March 31, 1943. (See the Vocational Training Co-ordination Act, 1942.) Administered by the Department of Labour.

1939 The Prairie Farm Assistance Act, 1939, S.C. 1939, c. 50.  
(Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 213; amended: S.C. 1952-53, 1955, 1957, 1958, 1960; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. P-16; amended by S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 7 (see also R.S.C. 1970, c. 15 (2nd Supp.), the Canadian Wheat Board Act.)

Provided for direct money payments by the federal government on an acreage-and-yield basis to farmers in low crop yield areas in the Prairie Provinces and in the Peace River area of British Columbia. Provided that payments to cover crop failure assistance and emergency assistance be made from the Prairie Farm Emergency Fund consisting of contributions from farmers of one percent of all sales of grain crops, and contributions from the federal government to cover any deficit. Administered by the Minister of Agriculture.

- 1939 War Charities Act, S.C. 1939 (2 Sess.), c. 10. (Amended: S.C. 1940-41, 1945 (2 Sess.), 1947.)

Required any War Charity Fund to be registered under the Act before soliciting funds from the public. Defined a War Charity Fund as any fund having among its objects "the supplying of needs or comforts or the relief of suffering or distress for the benefit of the Armed Forces of Canada or the families or dependants of any of them or of any other sufferers from the present war, or any other charitable purpose connected with the war."

Required every War Charity Fund to meet certain conditions, including the requirement that books and accounts be open to inspection by any person duly authorized by the Secretary of State or other Minister designated to administer the Act.

- 1940 The Unemployment Insurance Act, S.C. 1940, c. 44. (Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 273; amended R.S.C. 1952, c. 337, S.C. 1952-53, 1953-54; repealed and re-enacted 1955.)

Repealed the Employment and Social Insurance Act, 1935. Provided for a compulsory contributory unemployment insurance program at the national level, and for the establishment of a national employment service to function in conjunction with the unemployment insurance operations. The Act became effective July 1, 1941. Administered by the Unemployment Insurance Commission.

- 1942 The Veterans' Land Act, 1942, S.C. 1942-43, c. 33. (Amended: S.C. 1945 (2 Sess.), 1946, 1949 (1 Sess.), 1949 (2 Sess.), 1950; amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 280; subsequently amended S.C. 1953-54 (The Veterans Benefit Act, 1954), 1959, 1962, 1965, 1966-67 (The Government Organization Act); 1968-69; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. V-4; amended by S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 1 (see also R.S.C. 1970, c. 10 (2nd Supp.), the Federal Court Act).

Recognized the desirability of assisting financially those veterans of World War II in receipt of a disability pension who wished to do so to settle on land where they might engage in farming or in part-time farming coupled with other employment. Provided for the appointment by the Governor in Council of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act to be responsible to the Minister of Mines and Resources.

Authorized the Director to make provision for training and instruction in agriculture, to acquire lands and other property and to specify the conditions under which sales of such land and property would be made to veterans.



- 1942 The Vocational Training Co-ordination Act, 1942, S.C. 1942-43, c. 34.  
(Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 286; amended  
S.C. 1953-54; repealed 1960-61.)

Provided for federal sharing with the provinces of the costs of establishing and operating various types of schools and training programs designed to fit trainees for employment, and authorized the continuation of any project begun under the Youth Training Act, 1939. Administered by the Minister of Labour.

- 1943 The National Physical Fitness Act, S.C. 1943-44, c. 29. (Repealed  
S.C. 1953-54, c. 61.)

Provided for federal grants to provinces to develop programs of physical fitness and established a National Council on Physical Fitness. Administered by the Minister of Pensions and National Health.

- 1943 The War Appropriations Act, No. 3, S.C. 1943-44, c. 32.

Covered, under general provisions, payment of the increase in old age and blind pensions.

Maximum old age and blind pensions increased from \$20 to \$25 a month by Order in Council, P.C. 6367, under the authority of the War Measures Act. The increase, a special war supplement of \$5 a month, was charged against the War Appropriation allotment. (Announcement by the Honourable J. L. Ilsley, Minister of Finance, in the House of Commons, July 24, 1943. See also Public Accounts 1943-44, pp. CC-13, CC-35.)

- 1943 Appropriation Act, No. 5, 1943, S.C. 1943-44, c. 33.

Provided for allowances to be awarded by the War Veterans' Allowance Board to widows of veterans as defined in the War Veterans' Allowances Act as amended by Orders in Council P.C. 113/9400 of December 3, 1941; P.C. 1/3241 of April 20, 1943; and P.C. 1/5028 of June 21, 1943; and provided for increased allowances for a widow with children.

- 1944 The Department of National Health and Welfare Act, S.C. 1944-45, c. 22. (Amendments of 1945 and 1950 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 74; amended S.C. 1962-63, 1968-69 (The Government Organization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in S.C. 1970, c. N-9.)

Established the Department of National Health and Welfare and repealed the Department of Pensions and National Health Act, except Part I which was repealed by the Department of Veterans Affairs Act. "The duties, powers and functions of the Minister extend to and include all matters relating to the promotion or preservation of the health, social security and social welfare of the people of Canada over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction."

- 1944 The Family Allowances Act, 1944, S.C. 1944, c. 40. (Amendments of 1946, 1949, 1950, 1951, incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 109; amended S.C. 1957 (the Appropriation Act), 1966-67 (the Canadian Forces Reorganization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. F-1; amended by S.C. 1973-74, c. 34.) Act repealed and replaced by the Family Allowances Act, 1973.

Provided for the payment by the federal government of monthly allowances in respect of every child under the age of 16 years born in Canada or a resident for three years in the following amounts: \$5 (birth to 5 years), \$6 (6 - 9 years), \$7 (10 - 12 years), \$8 (13 - 15 years) with reductions of \$1 for the fifth child, \$2 for the sixth and seventh children, and \$3 for the eighth and subsequent children. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1944 The Department of Veterans Affairs Act, S.C. 1944-45, c. 19. (Amendments of 1950 and 1951 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 80; amended S.C. 1966-67 (the Canadian Forces Reorganization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. V-1; amended by S.C. 1972.)

Established the Department of Veterans Affairs and repealed Part I of the Department of Pensions and National Health Act.

- 1944 The War Service Grants Act, 1944, S.C. 1944-45, c. 51. (Amended: S.C. 1945 (2 Sess.), 1947-48, 1949 (1 Sess.), 1951 (2 Sess.); amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 298; subsequently amended S.C. 1953-54 (see also The Veterans Benefit Act, 1954), 1959, 1962. Amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. W-4.)

Provided for the payment to every member of the forces on discharge a war service gratuity for every thirty days of service of \$7.50 in respect of service in the Western Hemisphere and \$15 in respect of overseas service.

Provided in addition for a re-establishment credit equal to the amount of the cash gratuity for veterans not electing benefits under the Veterans Land Act, 1942, or under any educational, vocational or technical training benefits provided out of monies appropriated by Parliament. Made available re-establishment credits for a period of ten years from the date of discharge or from the coming into effect of the Act. Specified that credits be used for the acquisition of a home, the repair and modernization of a home owned by the veteran, the purchase of furniture and household equipment, the provision of working capital for a profession or business, or for other specified purposes.



- 1944 Appropriation Act, No. 5, 1944, S.C. 1944-45, c. 52.

Provided for payment of allowances awarded by the War Veterans' Allowance Board to orphaned dependent children of veterans.

- 1944 The National Housing Act, 1944, S.C. 1944-45, c. 46. (Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 188; amended S.C. 1952-53; replaced by the National Housing Act, 1954.)

Replaced the 1938 Act. Provided funds for persons wishing to build or repair their own homes, funds to aid slum clearance projects, and funds to stimulate building of low-rental housing units. Administered by the Minister of Finance until 1945.

- 1945 The Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, S.C. 1945, c. 15. (Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 46, amended S.C. 1965, c. 8; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-16.)

Established a corporation, the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, consisting of the Minister of Finance (changes were subsequently made in the responsible minister) and a Board of Directors, and transferred to the Corporation the authority formerly vested in the Minister of Finance under the National Housing Act.

- 1945 The Veterans Rehabilitation Act, S.C. 1945 (2 Sess.), c. 35. (Amended: S.C. 1946, 1947-48, 1949 (1 Sess.), 1951 (2 Sess.); amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 281; subsequently amended S.C. 1953-54 (The Veterans Benefit Act 1954), 1959; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. V-5.)

Authorized the Minister of Veterans Affairs to promote the rehabilitation of veterans by making allowances to veterans of World War II temporarily incapacitated, out of work, awaiting returns from a business, or pursuing courses of training and by paying the cost of courses of training.

- 1945 An Act to amend The Veterans' Land Act, 1942, S.C. 1945, c. 34.

Transferred the administration of the Act from the Minister of Mines and Resources to the Minister of Veterans Affairs. Broadened the terms under which veterans might benefit under the Act.

- 1946 The Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, S.C. 1946, c. 43. (Amendments to 1952 incorporated in R.S.C. 1952, c. 51; amended by R.S.C. 1952, c. 312, partially repealed 1962, amended 1966-67 (the Canadian Forces Reorganization Act) amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-20; amended by S.C. 1972.)

Provided for pensions and allowances to Canadian nationals serving in specified essential occupations and who suffered disability as a result of World War II. Specified that claims for pensions, allowances and compensation be dealt with and adjudicated upon as under the Pension Act. Administered by the Canadian Pension Commission.

- 1946 The War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1946, S.C. 1946, c. 75.  
(Amended: S.C. 1948, 1949, 1950; repealed and re-enacted 1952.)

Repealed and replaced the War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1930. Extended the provisions of the Act, increased allowances and allowable income. Charged the Minister of Veterans Affairs with the administration of the Act, except for the power, authority and jurisdiction conferred upon the War Veterans Allowance Board to deal with and adjudicate upon applications for allowances.

- 1947 The Army Benevolent Fund Act, S.C. 1947, c. 49; R.S.C. 1952, c. 10. (Amended: R.S.C. 1952, c. 303; S.C. 1960-61, 1965; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. A-16.)

Authorized the establishment in the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a special Account, the Army Benevolent Fund, to which were to be credited certain specified canteen funds and moneys from regimental, mess or other funds of disbanded army active units, and all profits from canteens operated for service personnel by auxiliary service agencies during World War II.

Established The Army Benevolent Fund Board consisting of five members appointed by the Governor in Council for a term of four years without salary - one nominated by the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League and one by the National Council of Veterans Associations in Canada.

Authorized the payment out of the Fund to or for the benefit of veterans or their dependants or the widows or children or former dependants of deceased veterans in amounts to be determined by the Board. Required the Board to be governed by the following principles: that there will be prospective beneficiaries for fifty years from the establishment of the Fund; that no grant be made where adequate relief is available from federal, provincial or municipal sources; bursaries to assist in the education of children be granted on the basis of need and satisfactory progress and not on academic standing; and amounts paid out of the Fund are not recoverable except where fraud is involved.

Required the Board to submit an annual report of its affairs and operations to Parliament through the Minister of Veterans Affairs.



1947 An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, S.C. 1947, c. 67.

Eliminated the provincial residence requirement of 5 years and the British citizenship requirement; reduced the eligible age for the blind from age 40 to 21 years; increased the maximum monthly allowance from \$25 to \$30; and increased the allowable income.

1948 Appropriation Act No. 4, S.C. 1948, c. 78 (Schedule B).

Included the initial appropriation of \$29,895,300 for the National Health Grants Program announced by the federal government in May, 1948, to assist the provinces in extending and improving their health services. Requisite Orders-in-Council were subsequently passed effective from April 1, 1948. Authorized funds for the following grants: Health Survey Grant (a non-recurring grant); Hospital Construction Grant; General Public Health Grant; Tuberculosis Control Grant; Mental Health Grant; Venereal Disease Control Grant; Crippled Childrens Grant; Professional Training Grant; Public Health Research Grant; and Cancer Control Grant. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

(The program was phased out 1969-1972 except for the Professional Training and Public Health Research Grants. Superseded by a new National Health Grant in 1969 to provide direct support to public and voluntary health agencies, universities and individuals for research studies, service demonstrations and training activities of national importance in the improvement of health services. In 1972 the National Health Grant and the Public Health Research Grant were combined. In 1974, a new program, the National Health Research and Development Program, replaced the former programs, including their terms of reference together with additional functions.)

1948 An Act to amend the War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1946, S.C. 1948, c. 74.

Extended the eligibility provisions, increased rates of assistance and allowable income.

1949 An Act to amend the Family Allowances Act, 1944, S.C. 1949, c. 17.

Reduced the residence qualification for a child not born in Canada from three years to one year effective from April 1, 1949; abolished the reductions in the allowance for the fifth and succeeding children.

1949 The Appropriation Act, No. 7, S.C. 1949, (2nd Session), c. 42.

Authorized (vote 537), under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council, the establishment of an Assistance Fund (War Veterans Allowance) from which would be provided supplementary assistance in cases of acute financial distress among recipients of War Veterans Allowance.

- 1949 An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, S.C. 1949, c. 19.

Increased the maximum shareable old age and blind pensions from \$30 to \$40 a month.

- 1950 An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act, S.C. 1950, c. 15 (The Excise Tax Act, R.S.C. 1952, c. 100, Section 47). (Section 47 repealed and re-enacted, S.C. 1958, c. 30; see also R.S.C. 1970, c. E-13, Section 45.)

Included a new section authorizing the Minister of National Revenue to pay to an institution, on application, an amount equal to the sales tax imposed by the Act on goods purchased by the institution for its own sole use and not for re-sale. To qualify for this rebate an institution was required to be certified by the Minister of National Health and Welfare to be a bona fide public institution with the principal function of providing permanent or semi-permanent shelter and care for children or aged, infirm, or incapacitated persons residing in the institution, and to be an institution in receipt annually of aid from the Government of Canada or a province for the maintenance of such persons.

- 1950 An Act to amend the War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1946, S.C. 1950, c. 54.

Extended the definition of 'veteran'. Authorized the Minister of Veterans Affairs to appoint District Authorities to whom would be delegated functions previously performed by the War Veterans Allowance Board in respect to the applications for and the granting of allowances. Authorized appeals to be made to the Board by an applicant or recipient from a decision of a District Authority.

- 1951 The Blind Persons Act, S.C. 1951, c. 38; R.S.C. 1952, c. 17. (Amended: S.C. 1955, 1957 (the Appropriation Act), 1957-58, 1962, 1963, 1966-67 (the Canada Assistance Plan); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. B-7.)

Provided for federal aid to the provinces of 75 percent of the cost of allowances, not exceeding \$40 a month, to blind persons aged 21 years or over, subject to a means test and a residence qualification of at least 10 years. Repealed Section 8A of the Old Age Pensions Act, 1927, which provided for pensions for the needy blind. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1951 The Old Age Assistance Act, S.C. 1951, c. 55; R.S.C. 1952, c. 199. (Amended: S.C. 1957 (see also the Appropriation Act), 1957-58, 1962, 1963, 1966-67 (the Canada Assistance Plan), 1968-69 (the Government Organization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-5; expired January 1, 1970 when Old Age Security pensions became payable at age 65.)



Provided for federal aid to the provinces of 50 percent of assistance, not exceeding \$40 a month, to persons aged 65 to 69, subject to a means test and a residence qualification of at least 20 years. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1951 The Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1951 (2nd Session), c. 18; R.S.C. 1952, c. 200. (Amended: S.C. 1957 (the Appropriation Act), 1957-58, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964-65 (the Canada Pension Plan), 1966-67, 1968-69 (the government Organization Act); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-6. Further amended by S.C. 1970-71-72 (see also R.S.C. 1970, c. 21 (2nd Supp.)); 1972, 1973-74.

Repealed the Old Age Pensions Act, 1927. Provided for a universal pension of \$40 a month payable by the federal government to all persons aged 70 years of age or over, subject only to a residence qualification of 20 years. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1951 The Veterans Benefit Act, 1951, S.C. 1951, c. 62. (Amended: S.C. 1952, 1952-53; repealed and re-enacted S.C. 1953-54.)

Provided for the extension of rehabilitation benefits similar to those for veterans of World War II to ex-members of the Special Force (Royal Canadian Navy Special Force, Canadian Army Special Force, Royal Canadian Air Force Special Force as constituted from time to time by the Minister of National Defence).

- 1952 The War Veterans Allowance Act, R.S.C. 1952, c. 340. (Incorporated S.C. 1952, c. 54, which repealed the 1946 Act; repealed R.S.C. 1952, c. 290; amended: S.C. 1955, 1957-58, 1960, 1960-61, 1964-65, 1965; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. W-5; amended: S.C. 1972, 1973-74.)

Replaced the War Veterans' Allowance Act, 1946. Included certain new provisions for increased allowances and increased permissible income, and provisions for assisting employable veterans.

- 1953 The Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act, S.C. 1952-53, c. 27. (Amended: S.C. 1953-54, 1958, 1962, 1965, 1969-70; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-18; amended: S.C. 1972 (The Pension Act).)

Provided for federal assistance for higher education of children of certain deceased members of the Armed Forces and of other specified persons.

- 1953 Appropriation Act, No. 3, S.C. 1952-53, c. 54.

Authorized and provided for the establishment in the Consolidated Revenue Fund of one or more special accounts for the Fishermen's Indemnity and Loan Plan to assist fishermen to meet abnormal capital losses; authorized payment of indemnities, loans and

administrative expenses in current and subsequent fiscal years in accordance with the regulations of the Governor in Council. Specified that advances to the accounts were not at any time to exceed \$250,000.

- 1954 The National Housing Act, 1954, S.C. 1953-54, c. 23. (Amended: S.C. 1956, 1957-58, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1960-61, 1962-63, 1964-65, 1965, 1966-67, 1967-68, 1968-69; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. N-10; amended: S.C. 1973-74.)

Repealed and replaced the National Housing Act, 1944. Made substantial changes in the financing of residential construction under the Act, widened the group of authorized lending institutions, and replaced the system of joint loans by a system of insured mortgages. Administered by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

- 1954 The Veterans Benefit Act, 1954, S.C. 1953-54, c. 65; R.S.C. 1970, c. V-2. (Amended: S.C. 1955.)

Repealed the Veterans Benefit Act, 1951. Among other changes, extended benefits similar to those available to veterans of World War II to veterans of the Korean Force who departed for the theatre of operations prior to July 27, 1953. Continued benefits to ex-members of the Special Forces.

- 1954 The Disabled Persons Act, S.C. 1953-54, c. 55. (Amended: S.C. 1957 (the Appropriation Act), 1957-58, 1962, 1963, 1966-67 (the Canada Assistance Plan); amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. D-6.)

Provided for federal aid to the provinces of 50 percent of the cost of allowances, not exceeding \$40 a month, to totally and permanently disabled persons 18 years of age or over, subject to a means test and a residence qualification of at least 10 years. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1955 An Act to amend the Blind Persons Act, S.C. 1955, c. 26.

Lowered the eligible age for blind persons allowances from 21 to 18 years, and increased the allowable income.

- 1955 The Unemployment Insurance Act, S.C. 1955, c. 50. (Amended: S.C. 1956, 1957-58, 1958, 1959, 1966-67, 1967-68; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. U-2. Replaced by the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.)

Repealed and replaced the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1940. Increased benefit rates and provided for certain changes in the duration of both regular and seasonal benefits. Administered by the Unemployment Insurance Commission.



- 1956 An Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act, S.C. 1956, c. 56.

Authorized regulations to extend coverage of the Act to include fishermen.

- 1956 The Unemployment Assistance Act, S.C. 1956, c. 26. (Amended: S.C. 1957-58; see also Canada Assistance Plan, 1966.)

Provided for federal reimbursement to any province entering into an agreement with the federal government of 50 percent of the amount spent by the province and its municipalities on financial assistance to needy unemployed persons. Excluded the first 0.45 percent of the population presumed to be unemployable, mothers' allowance recipients, and inmates of public and charitable institutions except needy unemployed persons in homes for special care. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

- 1956 Appropriation Act No. 6 (Schedule B), S.C. 1956, c. 32.

Included in the appropriation for the Department of Citizenship and Immigration an item to provide for transportation and other assistance to immigrants and settlers which covered the Treasury Board authorization effective from April 1, 1956 of family assistance at the rate of \$5 per month in respect of children under sixteen years of age admitted or readmitted to Canada for permanent residence during their first year in Canada until they became eligible for family allowances. (This family assistance program was administered by the Department of Citizenship and Immigration until transferred to the Department of National Health and Welfare, July, 1962. Assistance paid at the same rates as family allowances effective April 1, 1962.)

- 1957 The Appropriation Act No. 4, 1957, S.C. 1957, c. 14, ss. 10 and 11.

Authorized funds under the Further Supplementary Estimates for the payment of increased allowances under the following programs: Family Allowances (from \$5 to \$6 for children up to 5 years and from \$7 to \$8 for children 10 to 12 years), effective September 1, 1957; Old Age Security pensions (from \$40 to \$46), effective July 1, 1957; Old Age Assistance, Blind Persons Act, Disabled Persons Act (maximum shareable allowances from \$40 to \$46), effective July 1, 1957.

- 1957 The Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act, S.C. 1957, c. 28; R.S.C. 1970, c. H-8. (Amended: S.C. 1958.)

Authorized contributions by Canada for programs administered by the provinces providing hospital insurance and laboratory and other services in aid of diagnoses, to commence when at least six provinces, containing at least half the population of Canada, had entered into such agreements and qualified for receipt of such contributions. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1957 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 3.

Increased the amount of monthly pensions from \$46 to \$55, reduced the residence requirement from 20 to 10 years, and increased the length of permissible temporary absence from Canada from three to six months, effective November 1, 1957.

1957 An Act to amend the Blind Persons Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 4.

Increased the maximum amount of allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces from \$46 to \$55 per month, and increased the amounts of allowable income, effective November 1, 1957.

1957 An Act to amend the Disabled Persons Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 5.

Increased the maximum allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces from \$46 to \$55 per month, provided for payments for patients in institutions and increased the amounts of allowable income, effective November 1, 1957.

1957 An Act to amend the Old Age Assistance Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 6.

Raised the maximum monthly allowance for purposes of federal sharing from \$46 to \$55, reduced the residence requirement from 20 to 10 years and increased the amounts of permissible income, effective November 1, 1957.

1957 An Act to amend the Unemployment Assistance Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 20.

Removed the 0.45 percent threshold provision thereby extending federal sharing of costs of aid to both employable and unemployable persons.

1957 An Act to amend the Pension Act, S.C. 1957-58, c. 19.

Increased the amounts of pensions for disabilities and death effective July 1, 1957; extended benefits to include certain dependants, and increased attendance and other allowances.

1958 An Act to amend the Hospital and Diagnostic Services Act, S.C. 1958.

Restricted certain inpatient services to those administered in hospital and extended outpatient services to items previously excluded. Deleted the provision that no federal contribution might be paid under the Act until at least six provinces containing at least one-half of the population of Canada, had entered into agreements and had provincial laws in force; authorized contributions to be paid from July 1, 1958.



1958 An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act, S.C. 1958, c. 30.

Repealed and substituted a revised Section 47. Defined a "certified institution" as an institution certified by the Minister of National Health and Welfare, by certificate, to be a bona fide institution with the principal purpose of providing shelter and care for children or aged, infirm or incapacitated persons residing in the institution, and to be an institution in receipt annually of aid from the Government of Canada or a province for the maintenance of such persons in the institution.

Authorized the Minister of National Revenue, on application by a certified institution, to pay to the institution the amount of the sales tax imposed under the Act in respect of goods purchased for the sole use of the institution and not for resale, provided they were purchased after the day specified in the certificate or within two years of the specified day if purchased on behalf of the institution in the course of construction.

1959 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1959, c. 14.

Provided for increases in the amount of taxes allocated to the Old Age Security Fund as follows: the tax on personal taxable income increased from two to three percent with a maximum of \$75 for 1959 and of \$90 for 1960 and subsequently; the tax on corporate income increased from two to three percent effective January 1, 1959; the sales tax increased from two to three percent effective April 10, 1959.

1959 An Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act, S.C. 1959, c. 36.

Raised the wage ceiling of insurable persons, increased the rates of contributions to be paid on behalf of insured persons and employers, extended qualifying periods, added two new classes of benefits to the range of benefits, increased allowable earnings and extended the maximum duration of benefit from 36 to 52 weeks.

1959 The Crop Insurance Act, S.C. 1959, c. 42. (Amended: S.C. 1964-65, 1966-67, 1970-71-72; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-36 and 2nd Supp. cc. 5 and 15; further amended S.C. 1972, 1973-74.)

Authorized the Minister of Agriculture, with the approval of the Governor in Council, to enter into an agreement with any province to provide for the payment to the province of contributions and loans in respect of a crop insurance scheme. Set the contribution payable by the federal government to a province in each year at 50 percent of the expenses incurred by the province in the administration of the insurance scheme and, if the province paid a share of the premium, the lesser of the amount required to reimburse the province for its share of the premiums or 20 percent of the premiums paid in respect of policies of insurance. Specified that loans to a province in any year might not exceed 75 percent of the amount by which indemnities

required to be paid under policies of insurance exceed the aggregate of: the premium receipts, the reserve for payments of indemnities, and \$200,000.

Specified that a farmer with an insured crop is not eligible for assistance under the Prairie Farm Assistance Act and in such cases the one percent levy under that Act does not apply.

1960 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1960, c. 34.

Authorized payment of pensions to pensioners outside the country for six consecutive months, and indefinitely to those with at least 25 years' residence in Canada after attaining the age of 21 years.

1960 An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, 1952, S.C. 1960, c. 36.

Authorized the payment of the allowance to a recipient who absents himself from Canada, and reduced the qualifying residence requirement from twenty years to ten years for veterans as defined by the Act.

1960 The Technical and Vocational Training Assistance Act, S.C. 1960-61, c. 6. (Amended: S.C. 1963, 1966-67; repealed 1966-67 by the Adult Occupational Training Act.)

Repealed the Vocational Training Co-ordination Act, 1942. Provided for federal financial assistance for the development and operation of technical and vocational training facilities and programs throughout Canada. Established a National Technical and Vocational Training Advisory Council appointed by the Governor in Council. Administered by the Minister of Labour.

1961 An Act to amend the Pension Act, S.C. 1960-61, c. 10.

Increased the amount of pensions to disabled veterans and their dependants and increased the pensions payable to dependants on the death of a member of the Armed Forces; authorized the payment of certain supplementary pensions.

1961 The Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act, S.C. 1960-61, c. 26. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67 by the Government Organization Act; amendments to 1970 incorporated R.S.C. 1970, c. V-7.)

Provided for federal sharing of costs incurred by the provinces in carrying out programs of vocational rehabilitation for disabled persons. Authorized the Minister of Labour to coordinate federal activities in the field of vocational rehabilitation of disabled persons in cooperation with the Minister of National Health and Welfare and other Ministers carrying out activities in this field; authorized the Minister to undertake research in respect of disabled persons.



Established a National Advisory Council on the Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons appointed by the Governor in Council to act in an advisory capacity to the Minister in the administration of the Act.

- 1961 The Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act (ARDA), S.C. 1960-61, c. 30; R.S.C. 1970, c. A-4. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67 to change name to Agricultural Rehabilitation and Rural Development Act.)

Authorized the federal government to enter into agreements with the provincial governments for the joint undertaking of projects for the alternative use of lands classified as marginal or of low productivity, projects for the development of income and employment opportunities in rural areas, and projects for the development and conservation of soil and water resources in Canada. Administered by the Minister of Agriculture; subsequently transferred to the Minister of Forestry.

- 1961 The Fitness and Amateur Sport Act, S.C. 1960-61, c. 59; R.S.C. 1970, c. F-25.

Provided for federal financial and other assistance to encourage, promote and develop fitness and amateur sport in Canada. Established a National Advisory Council on Fitness and Amateur Sport appointed by the Governor in Council to act in an advisory capacity to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Limited to an aggregate of five million dollars as the amount in any one fiscal year which the Minister of Finance on the certificate of the Minister of National Health and Welfare, might pay from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for purposes of the Act. The limitation on the aggregate amount was subsequently raised by Appropriations Acts. The amount set by the Appropriation Act No. 5, 1973, was \$11,850,000.

- 1962 An Act to amend the Blind Persons Act, S.C. 1962, c. 2.

Authorized an increase to \$65 monthly from \$55 in the maximum allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces and increased the permissible income limits, effective February 1, 1962.

- 1962 An Act to amend the Disabled Persons Act, S.C. 1962, c. 3.

Authorized an increase to \$65 monthly from \$55 in the maximum allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces and increased the permissible income limits, effective February 1, 1962.

- 1962 An Act to amend the Old Age Assistance Act, S.C. 1962, c. 4.

Authorized an increase to \$65 monthly from \$55 in the maximum allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces and increased the permissible income limits, effective February 1, 1962.

1962 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1962, c. 5.

Authorized an increase in the old age security pension from \$55 to \$65 monthly, effective February 1, 1962.

1962 The Atlantic Development Board Act, S.C. 1962-63, c. 10. (Amended: S.C. 1963, 1966-67; repealed S.C. 1968-69, the Government Organization Act.)

Established a corporation to be known as the Atlantic Development Board consisting of five members appointed by the Governor in Council for a term of five years, to inquire into and report to the Minister designated for the purpose upon measures and projects for fostering the economic growth and development of the Atlantic region of Canada. Authorized the appointment by the Governor in Council of an Executive Director of the Board to hold office during pleasure.

1962 An Act to amend the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, S.C. 1962, c. 11.

Partially repealed and extended the terms of the 1946 Act.

Authorized the payment of allowances to certain civilians with service in a theatre of actual war during World War I or World War II and authorized allowances for the widows and orphans of such civilians.

1962 An Act to amend the Department of National Health and Welfare Act, S.C. 1962-63, c. 16.

Authorized the establishment of a National Council of Welfare consisting of the Deputy Minister of Welfare, as chairman, the ten provincial deputy ministers of Welfare, and not more than ten other persons appointed by the Governor in Council to act in an advisory capacity to the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1962 Special Appropriation Act, 1963, S.C. 1963, c. 2.

Included an initial appropriation of \$250,000 for the fiscal year ended March, 1963, for payments under the National Welfare Grants program announced in April, 1962, and established in November. The program, to grow at the rate of \$500,000 a year to a yearly allocation of \$2.5 million, to help develop and strengthen welfare services to Canada, consisted of a General Welfare and Professional Training Grant and a Welfare Research Grant. Under the former, certain grants, (general welfare including demonstration grants, bursary, training and staff development grants) were to be administered on a shared-cost basis with the provinces, and others (welfare scholarships, fellowships and teaching and instructions grants to schools of social work) were to be administered and financed federally, as was the Welfare Research Grant. (Effective from

April 1, 1967, funds were made available for national voluntary welfare agency projects other than research and demonstration projects. In 1971 support was extended for scholarships and fellowships to individuals.)

"The Welfare Grants Rules" approved annually by the Governor in Council constitute the authority for the continuing program. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1963 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1963, c. 16.

Increased the old age security pension from \$65 to \$75, effective October 1, 1963, and increased the rate of the Old Age Security tax on personal income from 3 to 4 percent to a maximum of \$120 a year effective January, 1964.

1963 An Act to amend the Old Age Assistance Act, the Disabled Persons Act, and the Blind Persons Act, S.C. 1963, c. 26.

Authorized an increase from \$65 to \$75 monthly in the maximum allowance shareable by the federal government with the provinces, and increased the permissible income limits, effective December 1, 1963.

1963 An Act to amend the Atlantic Development Board, S.C. 1963, c. 5.

Established a special account in the Consolidated Revenue Fund to be known as the Atlantic Development Fund, to be credited with amounts paid by the Minister of Finance to the Board to finance programs and projects in the Atlantic region for which satisfactory financing arrangements are not otherwise available. Limited the amount to be credited to the Fund to \$100 million. Increased the members of the Board from five to eleven.

1963 The Municipal Development and Loan Act, S.C. 1963, c. 13.

Established a Municipal Development and Loan Board to consist of from three to five members appointed by the Governor in Council to hold office during pleasure to promote increased employment in Canada by loans to municipalities to augment or accelerate municipal capital works programs. Authorized the Board, with the approval of the Minister designated for the purpose, to enter into agreements with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the use of personnel, facilities and services of the Corporation.

1964 An Act to amend the National Housing Act, 1954, S.C. 1964-65, c. 15.

Among other revisions, provided further assistance to provinces and municipalities carrying out urban renewal programs; authorized loans to assist a province, municipality or public housing authority to acquire land for public housing projects and for the construction or acquisition of public housing projects; authorized loans to non-profit



corporations for the construction of housing accommodation of the hostel or dormitory type and for the purchase and conversion of existing buildings to this type of accommodation to be leased to individuals or families of low income; authorized the inclusion of hostel or dormitory type accommodation in federal-provincial housing projects; provided for federal contributions to assist in meeting losses incurred in the operation of public housing projects; increased from \$100 million to \$150 million the amount available for loans for the construction of university housing projects.

1964 An Act to amend the Crop Insurance Act, S.C. 1964-65, c. 28.

Provided that a province operating a crop insurance scheme might reinsure a portion of the liability under such plan. Established in the Consolidated Revenue Fund a special account to be known as the Crop Reinsurance Fund, to be credited with moneys paid by a province for reinsurance and from which the Minister of Finance was authorized to pay amounts required by any province under the terms of a reinsurance agreement.

1964 The Youth Allowances Act, S.C. 1964-65, c. 23; R.S.C. 1970, c. Y-1. (Repealed S.C. 1973-74 by the Family Allowances Act, 1973.)

Provided for the payment without a means test of a monthly allowance of \$10 to a parent of a dependent youth aged 16 or 17 years attending an educational institution full time or precluded from doing so by mental or physical disability. Excepted payments in the Province of Quebec, which had introduced its own program in 1961. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1964 Federal-Provincial Fiscal Revision Act, 1964, S.C. 1964-65, c. 26. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67, the Newfoundland Additional Financial Assistance Act; 1966; 1973-74.)

Provided for the revision of certain fiscal arrangements with the provinces and to provide adjustments of fiscal arrangements and taxation provisions consequential upon the provision of youth allowances to parents resident in certain provinces.

1965 An Act to amend the National Housing Act, 1954, S.C. 1965, c. 3.

Included provisions to increase funds for urban renewal projects from \$100 million to \$300 million, for public housing projects from \$50 million to \$150 million, and for university housing projects from \$150 million to \$200 million, and for direct loans to borrowers to assist in the construction of houses and housing projects.

1965 Appropriation Act No. 5, 1965, c. 10.

(Reference: P.C. 1965-1589 of September 1, 1965. See Canada Gazette, Part II: SOR/65-410, September 22, 1965; SOR/65-526, December 8, 1965; SOR/67-13, January 11, 1967; SOR/67-296, June 28, 1967; SOR/68-410, September 25, 1968; SOR/69-30, February 12, 1969; SOR/70-275, July 8, 1970; SOR/70-390, September 9, 1970; SOR/71-12, January 1, 1971; SOR/71-322, July 28, 1971; SOR/71-501, October 13, 1971; SOR/71-593, November 24, 1971; SOR/72-12, February 9, 1972; SOR/73-358, July 11, 1973.)

Included an amount of \$5 million to extend the purposes of the Labour Vote (Main Estimates, 1965-66) to include authority for payments of transitional assistance in accordance with regulations approved by the Governor in Council to workers in automotive manufacturing and parts industries who become unemployed as a result of the operation of the Canada-United States agreement on Automotive Products.

1965 The Area Development Incentives Act, S.C. 1965, c. 12. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67, 1968-69, the Government Organization Act. Replaced S.C. 1968-69, The Regional Development Incentives Act (see also R.S.C. 1970, c. R-3).)

Provided for incentives in the form of development grants and income tax exemptions to a manufacturing or processing operation for the establishment of a new facility or the expansion of an existing facility in areas designated as low income areas. Authorized grants from a special account in the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Area Development Account, to be credited with \$150 million and such other amounts as might be appropriated by Parliament.

1965 An Act to amend the Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act, S.C. 1965, c. 15.

Increased the monthly allowance for a student from \$25 to \$34, and authorized an additional amount for a student of 21 years of age or over if no pension is being paid on his behalf.

1965 An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, S.C. 1965, c. 20.

Provided for increased exemptions in property and income.

1965 The Canada Pension Plan, S.C. 1964-65, c. 51. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67, the Statute Law (Superannuation Act); S.C. 1968-69, the Government Organization Act; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-5; amended: S.C. 1970-71-72, the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971; 1973-74.)

Provided for a compulsory contributory social insurance program under which retirement pensions, disability benefits and survivors benefits would be payable, and which would cover almost all members of the labour force.

Provided that the Plan would operate in all of Canada except in a province which had a comparable plan.

Provided that retirement pensions be 25 percent of average pensionable earnings, that pensions for widows and disabled widowers under age 65 be composed of a flat-rate component plus a proportion of an imputed retirement pension, and that benefits for widows and disabled widowers aged 65 or more be a percentage of the deceased contributor's retirement pension. Provided for flat-rate benefits for children of deceased contributors and children of disabled contributors. Provided for a lump sum death benefit. Provided that all monthly benefits be escalated annually in accordance with changes in a Pension Index based upon the Consumer Price Index, and that before the amount of an earnings-related benefit or an earnings-related component of a benefit is calculated, the earnings of the contributor be adjusted in accordance with changes in the Year's Maximum Pensionable Earnings between the year the earnings were received and the benefit commences.

Provided that the Plan cover employees and self-employed persons between the ages of 18 and 70 with pensionable earnings, that the contribution of employers and employees each be 1.8 percent and that of self-employed persons be 3.6 percent of pensionable earnings. Specified the year's maximum pensionable earnings (set for 1966 and 1967 at \$5,000 with adjustments for 1968 to 1975 inclusive based on the Pension Index and for 1976 and thereafter on the Earnings Index), the year's basic exemption (12 percent of the year's maximum pensionable earnings) and the minimum amount on which a contribution is payable.

Provided that the collection of contributions commence in January 1966, retirement pensions become payable in January, 1967, survivors benefits in February, 1968, and disability benefits in 1970.

Established the Canada Pension Plan Advisory Committee consisting of not more than sixteen persons representative of employees, employers, self-employed persons, and the public, appointed by the Governor in Council for a term not to exceed five years to review from time to time the operation of the Act, the state of the Canada Pension Plan Investment Fund and the adequacy of coverage and benefits under the Act; required the Committee to report to the Minister of National Health and Welfare the results of such review and to report annually on its activities.

Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare except for Part I, "Contributions", administered by the Minister of National Revenue.



Amended the Old Age Security Act to lower the minimum eligible age for the Old Age Security Act to lower the minimum eligible age for the old age security pension to 69 years in 1966, 68 years in 1967, 67 years in 1968, 66 years in 1969, and 65 years in 1970 and thereafter; extended the previous residence requirements to make pensions available to persons of eligible age residing in Canada for an aggregate period of 40 years after attaining the age of 18 years; and provided that pensions be increased from 1968 in accordance with changes in the Pension Index used in the Canada Pension Plan.

1965 The Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act, S.C. 1965, c. 54. (Amended by S.C. 1966-67, the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act; see also S.C. 1966-67, the Canada Assistance Plan; further amended S.C. 1969-70, the Appropriation Act; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. E-8; subsequently amended by S.C. 1970-71-72; 1972, Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act.)

Provided for an interim period during which a province might assume greater administrative and financial responsibility for certain specified federal-provincial programs and during which more permanent arrangements might be devised. For this purpose authorized the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Governor in Council to enter into an agreement with any province participating in any of these programs.

Authorized supplementary agreements under the Act under which provinces participating in specified federal-provincial standing programs under Schedule I (hospital insurance; old age assistance, blind and disabled persons allowances; the welfare portion of unemployment assistance; technical and vocational training programs for youths not yet in the labour force; health grants except research and demonstration) would assume full responsibility for their administration and financing.

Provided for financial adjustments through the Minister of Finance for programs under Schedule I in the form of a tax abatement of a specified percentage of federal individual income tax on the income of residents of the province, an associated equalization payment, and an operating cost adjustment, the latter to ensure that a province receive the equivalent of the amount which would otherwise have been paid under the former joint program.

Provided for agreements under Schedule II to cover certain special programs (agricultural lime assistance; forestry programs; hospital construction grants; camp grounds and picnic areas; roads to resources program) and provided for federal compensation for these programs.

Specified the length of the interim period for each program to terminate according to program from March 31, 1967 to December 31, 1970.

1966 The Canada Assistance Plan, S.C. 1966-67, c. 45; R.S.C. 1970, c. C-1.

Established a comprehensive framework for the federal sharing of costs of assistance and welfare services, and specified that the only eligibility requirement be that of need as determined by a needs test established by the provincial authority.

Part I authorized federal reimbursement under agreements with the provinces of 50 percent of specified welfare expenditures by the provinces and municipalities effective from April 1, 1966. Incorporated in large part the terms of the Unemployment Assistance Act but eliminated the requirement that persons be unemployed and extended federal cost-sharing to include mothers' allowances payments, child welfare maintenance costs, costs of health care services to needy persons, and costs of the extension of welfare services to prevent or remove causes of dependency or to assist person receiving assistance to achieve the greatest possible degree of self-support.

Part II authorized agreements covering welfare services to Indians on reserves, on Crown lands or in unorganized territory; and authorized a federal contribution in excess of 50 percent of prescribed costs to the extent that costs of providing assistance and services to Indians is higher than for other groups.

Part III authorized agreements for federal sharing of 50 percent of certain costs in respect of work activity projects that prepare persons for entry or return to employment.

Part IV authorized the inclusion of payments for mothers' allowances in the Unemployment Assistance Act for cost-sharing purposes effective from April 1, 1966. Extended the terms of the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act to the Canada Assistance Plan to apply to a province which had entered into a supplementary agreement under the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act before April 1, 1966.

Part V amended the Old Age Assistance Act, the Blind Persons Act, and the Disabled Persons Act to permit provinces, at their option, to discontinue receipt of applications under any of these Acts and to provide assistance under their general programs with federal reimbursement under the Canada Assistance Plan.

Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1966 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 65.

Established a monthly guaranteed income supplement effective from January 1, 1967, to recipients of old age security pensions born on or before December 31, 1910, whose income calculated in accordance with the Income Tax Act is below a specified amount. The maximum monthly supplement was set at \$30 for the calendar year 1967 and thereafter at 40 percent of the amount of the old age security pension paid for the month minus one dollar for each full two dollars of the monthly base income calculated at one-twelfth of income from the preceding year.

1966 The Medical Care Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 64; R.S.C. 1970, c. M-8.

Authorized the federal government to make contributions to begin not later than July 1, 1968, amounting to half the per capita cost of insured medical care services furnished by participating provinces multiplied by the average number for the year of insured persons covered in each province. Specified the criteria to be met by provincial medical care plans including the requirement that coverage extend to at least 90 percent of insurable residents in the first year of operation, and rising thereafter to 95 percent. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1966 The Health Resources Fund Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 42; R.S.C. 1970, c. H-4.

Established in the Consolidated Revenue Fund a special account, the Health Resources Fund, to contain \$500 million for the fifteen-year period 1966 to 1980, out of which the federal government was authorized to pay to the provinces up to 50 percent of the costs of construction, acquisition, renovation and basic equipment for the training of persons in the health professions or in occupations associated with the health professions and for research in the health fields. Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1966 The Training Allowances Act, 1966, S.C. 1966-67, c. 27. (Amended: S.C. 1966-67; repealed S.C. 1970-71-72, the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.)

Authorized the federal government to enter into an agreement with any province providing a program of technical and vocational training and, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the agreement, to pay 100 percent of the costs of basic training allowances of \$35 a week and up to 90 percent of costs of supplementary allowances for persons being trained under the program. Provided that unemployment insurance benefits are not payable in respect of persons undergoing training and made provision for extension of the qualification period.



- 1966 An Act to amend the Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 11.

Changed the name of the Act to the Agricultural and Rural Development Act; extended the terms of the Act to apply to all rural areas whether or not they are in whole or in part agricultural.

- 1966 The Fund for Rural Economic Development Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 41. (Repealed S.C. 1968-69, the Government Organization Act.)

Authorized the establishment in the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a special account, the Fund for Rural Economic Development (FRED), to contain \$50 million. Authorized the Minister of Forestry, on the recommendation of the Advisory Board created for the purpose, and with the approval of the Governor in Council, to enter into agreements with any province for the joint undertaking of comprehensive rural development programs in special rural development areas.

- 1966 An Act to amend the Atlantic Development Board Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 31.

Increased the aggregate that the Minister of Finance might credit to the Atlantic Development Fund from \$100 million to \$150 million; extended the authority of the Board, under agreements with any province in the Atlantic region, to undertake projects alone or jointly with the province or a provincial agency or person; and authorized revenues received by the Board from projects undertaken or financed by it to be credited to the Fund, and all expenditures in relation to projects undertaken to be charged to the Fund.

- 1966 The Company of Young Canadians Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 36. (Amended: S.C. 1969-70, cc. 5, and 15; amendments to 1970 incorporated in R.S.C. 1970, c. C-26 and R.S.C. 1970 (1st Supp.).)

Established a corporation known as The Company of Young Canadians in English and as La Compagnie des Jeunes Canadiens in French, consisting of the Council of the Company and volunteer members, to support, encourage and develop programs for social, economic and community development in Canada or abroad through voluntary service. Established a Council of the Company, consisting of fifteen members - ten elected by volunteer members and five appointed by the Governor in Council - to administer the affairs of the Company. Authorized the appointment by the Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Council, of an Executive Director to be responsible under the direction of the Council for the management and supervision of the work and staff of the Company. Required the Executive Director to report to Parliament through the Minister designated for the purpose by the Governor in Council, and authorized funds to be appropriated by Parliament for the operations of the Company.

1966 An Act to amend the Crop Insurance Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 37.

Increased the maximum contribution payable by Canada on crop insurance premiums from 20 to 25 percent; increased the maximum amount of the insurance that may be effected on any crop from 60 to 80 percent of the long-term average yield of the crop in the area; authorized contributions to a province providing insurance coverage against losses of fruit trees or perennial plants, or losses arising when the seeding of summer-fallowed land intended to grow an insured crop is prevented by excessive ground moisture, weather or other agricultural hazards.

1967 An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act and the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 79.

Amended the Old Age Security Act to increase the maximum amount of the Old Age Security tax on personal income from \$120 to \$240.

1967 The Pension Benefits Standards Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 92; R.S.C. 1970, c. P-8. (Amended: 1970-71-72 (the Federal Court Act), see also R.S.C. 1970 (2nd Supp.).)

Specified standards respecting pension plans organized and administered for the benefit of persons employed in any work, undertaking or business within the legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada (such as navigation; shipping; any railway, canal, telegraph or other work or undertaking connecting a province with any other or extending beyond the limits of a province; any radio broadcasting station, any bank, any aerodrome or aircraft), and specified the requirements to be met in the termination or winding up of pension plans.

Authorized the Minister of Finance to enter into agreements with the appropriate authority of a designated province (i.e. one having similar legislation under which an individual company is registered) respecting the supervision of pension plans, and to designate an agency to receive, hold and disburse pension benefit credits under the Act.

Required every pension plan under federal authority to which the employer contributes to be registered with the Superintendent of Insurance except those registered in designated provinces having in force similar legislation and with whom an agreement has been signed. Authorized the Superintendent of Insurance to register and issue certificates of registration in respect of all pension plans filed for registration complying with the standards of registration, and to revoke and cancel the certificate of registration of any registered plan that ceases to comply with these standards.

Required as a standard of registration that a plan provide for the vesting of pension benefits in an employee if he has had continuous service with the employer or membership in the plan for ten years and has attained 45 years of age.

Authorized the Governor in Council to make regulations, including regulations respecting the variation of pension benefits by reference to any pension payable under the Old Age Security Act, the Canada Pension Plan or a provincial pension plan as defined by the Canada Pension Plan.

Administered by the Superintendent of Insurance under the direction of the Minister of Finance.

- 1967 An Act to amend the Fund for Rural Economic Development, S.C. 1966-67, c. 80.

Increased the total amount that may be charged to the Fund to \$300 million.

- 1967 The Adult Occupational Training Act, S.C. 1966-67, c. 94. R.S.C. 1970, c. A-2. (Amended: S.C. 1970-71-72, the Unemployment Insurance Act; S.C. 1972.)

Repealed the Technical and Vocational Training Assistance Act, 1960. Authorized the Minister of Manpower and Immigration to enter into a contract with any province for the payment by Canada to the province for the costs of providing an occupational training course operated by the provincial or municipal authority for adults whose enrolment was arranged by a manpower officer. Also authorized the Minister to enter into contracts with employers operating training courses. Authorized the payment by the federal government of training allowances to adults undergoing training courses. Authorized loans to the provinces to assist in the purchase or construction of occupational training facilities.

- 1967 The Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act, 1967, S.C. 1966-67, S.C. 1966-67, c. 89, s. 24. (Amended: S.C. 1968-69, the Government Organization Act. Replaced 1972 by the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act 1972.)

Included an amendment to the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act, 1965. Provided that no supplementary agreement in respect of a standing program might be entered into after September 30, 1967 (an extension of the previous date of October 31, 1965). This provision applied only to a province which had entered into a supplementary agreement under the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act in relation to the health grants program and the date of the interim period was extended from March 31, 1967 to March 31, 1970.



1967 The Appropriation Act, No. 5, 1967, S.C. 1967-68, c. 2.

Included in Vote 1 (National Health and Welfare) \$500,000 for Health and Welfare Grants, under terms and conditions approved by the Treasury Board, for research and demonstration activities in the field of mental retardation. (The Minister of National Health and Welfare announced in January, 1967, that a total of \$2.5 million for mental retardation research and demonstration projects over a five-year period commencing in 1967-68 would be administered in accordance with the general terms of existing health and welfare grants programs.)

1968 An Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act, S.C. 1967-68, c. 33.

Extended coverage provided by the Act to include salaried workers earning up to \$7,800 a year, and established new schedules providing for an upward adjustment in the rates of contributions and benefits; revised the schedule of allowable earnings for persons in receipt of benefits.

1968 The Divorce Act, S.C. 1967-68, c. 24; R.S.C. 1970, c. D-8.  
(Amended: S.C. 1970-71-72, the Federal Court Act.)

The Act, proclaimed in effect from July 2, 1968, broadened the grounds for divorce. Required, unless clearly inappropriate, every barrister, solicitor, lawyer or advocate undertaking to act on behalf of a petitioner or a respondent to draw to the attention of his client the provisions of the Act relating to the reconciliation of the parties, to inform his client of marriage counselling facilities and to discuss with him the possibility of reconciliation with his spouse. Authorized the court to adjourn proceedings if a reconciliation appears to be a possibility, and to nominate, with the consent of the parties, a person with experience or training in marriage counselling to assist them with a view to their possible reconciliation.

Provided that the rule for determining domicile for a married woman be as if she were unmarried (that is the determination of domicile for the wife is as for the husband).

Amended the Exchequer Court Act to establish a Divorce Division in the Exchequer Court and authorized the Divorce Division to deal with petitions for divorce from the provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland.

Repealed the Dissolution and Annulment of Marriages Act, the Divorce Jurisdiction Act, the Divorce Act (Ontario) insofar as it relates to the dissolution of marriage, the British Columbia Divorce Appeals Act, and the divorce provisions contained in the Marriage and Divorce Act.

1969 The Government Organization Act, Part VII - National Health and Welfare, S.C. 1968-69, c. 28; R.S.C. 1970, c. N-9.

Repealed Section 7A of the Department of National Health and Welfare Act establishing the National Council of Welfare. Substituted a new section establishing a National Council of Welfare consisting of a chairman and not more than 20 other members appointed by the Governor in Council for terms not exceeding three years. Authorized each member to be paid such remuneration as may be approved by the Governor in Council and to be paid reasonable travelling and other expenses incurred by him while absent from his ordinary place of residence in the course of his duties under the Act. Specified the function of the Council is to advise the Minister on such matters relating to welfare as he may refer to the Council or the Council considers appropriate.

1969 The Government Organization Act, Part IV, Department of Regional Economic Expansion, S.C. 1968-69, c. 28; R.S.C. 1970, c. R-4.

Established the Department of Regional Economic Expansion. Specified that the duties, powers and functions of the Minister extend to and include:

- "(a) all matters over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction, not by law assigned to any other department, branch or agency of the Government of Canada, relating to economic expansion and social adjustment in areas requiring special measures to improve opportunities for productive employment and access to those opportunities; and
- (b) such other matters over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction relating to economic expansion and social adjustment as are by law assigned to the Minister."

Authorized the Governor in Council after consultation with any province to designate any area in that province as a special area which because of exceptional lack of opportunities for employment of the people in the area requires special measures to facilitate economic expansion and social adjustment.

Authorized the Minister, in cooperation with any province, to formulate a plan of economic expansion and social adjustment, and, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, to enter into an agreement with that province for the joint carrying out of such plan.

Established the Atlantic Development Council to consist of not more than eleven members appointed by the Governor in Council to advise the Minister on plans, programs and proposals for fostering the economic expansion and social adjustment of the Atlantic region the feasibility of particular programs and projects for the Atlantic region and such other matters as the Minister may refer to the Council.

Members are appointed for terms not to exceed three years, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are designated by the Governor in Council. Members serve without remuneration but the Chairman and Vice-Chairman may be paid such an amount per annum as an honorarium as may be approved by the Governor in Council.

Repealed the Atlantic Development Board Act, 1962-63, the Fund for Rural Development Act, 1966-67.

Provided that the following Acts be administered by the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion: Area Development Incentives Act, Atlantic Provinces Power Development Act, Maritime Marshland Rehabilitation Act, Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act.

1969 Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1968-69, S.C. 1968-69, c. 38.

Amended a number of sections of the Criminal Code including Section 237 affecting abortions.

Exempted from prosecution a qualified medical practitioner using an accredited or approved hospital to procure the miscarriage of a female person and the female person concerned if the therapeutic abortion committee for that hospital has reviewed the case and has certified in writing that in its opinion the continuation of the pregnancy would be likely to endanger the mother's life or health.

Authorized the Minister of Health of a province to require from a therapeutic abortion committee a copy of any certificates issued by that committee together with such other information as he may require relating to the issuing of the certificate, or to require a medical practitioner to furnish a copy together with such other information as he may require.

Defined a therapeutic abortion committee of any hospital to mean "a committee comprised of not less than three members each of whom is a qualified medical practitioner, appointed by the board of that hospital for the purpose of considering and determining questions relating to terminations of pregnancy within that hospital".

1969 An Act to Amend the Food and Drugs Act and the Narcotic Control Act and to make a consequential amendment to the Criminal Code.  
S.C. 1968-1969, c. 41, s. 13.

Repealed and replaced section 150 (2)(c) of the Criminal Code, 1953-54, to delete the provision making it an offence to sell, advertise, publish an advertisement of, or have for sale or disposal any means, instructions, medicine, drug or article intended or represented as a method of preventing conception.



1969 An Act to amend the National Housing Act, 1954, S.C. 1968-69, c. 45.

Repealed sections 16 and 16A and re-enacted section 16. Included provisions for increased loans for low-rental housing projects from 90 to 95 percent of the lending value of the project to bear interest at a rate prescribed by the Governor in Council; authorized the inclusion of hostel and dormitory accommodation in developments, irrespective of sponsorship; and extended eligibility for assistance to "any person". Authorized federal contributions of 50 percent of the cost to provinces and municipalities for the acquisition and rehabilitation of housing in urban renewal areas.

1969 The Regional Development Incentives Act, S.C. 1968-69, c. 56;  
R.S.C. 1970, c. R-3. (Amended: S.C. 1970-71-72; see also  
R.S.C. 1970, 2nd Supp.)

(Full title: An Act to provide incentives for the development of productive employment opportunities in regions of Canada determined to require special measures to facilitate economic expansion and social adjustment.)

Authorized the Governor in Council after consultation with the government of any province or provinces to designate as a designated region for a specified period any region that is determined to require special measures to facilitate economic expansion and social adjustment.

Authorized development incentives to an applicant to establish a new facility (i.e. the structures, machinery and equipment that constitute the necessary components of a manufacturing or processing operation, other than an initial processing operation in a resource-based industry) or to expand an existing facility in a designated region.

Limited the amounts of primary development incentive to the lesser of 20 percent of approved capital costs or \$6 million; and a secondary development incentive to 5 percent of approved capital costs plus \$5,000 for each job created directly in the operation. Further limited a secondary development incentive to an amount that combined with a primary development incentive does not exceed the least of: (a) \$30,000 for each job created directly in the operation, (b) \$12 million, or (c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the capital to be employed in the operation.

Administered by the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion.

Amended the Area Development Incentives Act to provide that no development grant may be authorized under that Act for the establishment or expansion of a facility in an area that becomes a designated area after the coming into force of the Regional Development Incentives Act.

- 1969 An Act to amend The Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act, S.C. 1969-70, c. 4.

Provided that no allowance or costs be paid if a student fails to qualify for promotion to the next succeeding level of the full-time course of studies he is pursuing until in the opinion of the Minister he is promoted to the next succeeding level in that course of study or to another course having equivalent levels.

- 1969 An Act to amend the Company of Young Canadians Act, S.C. 1969-70, Vol. 1, c. 5.

Provided for the appointment by the Governor in Council upon the coming into force of the section (assented to 19 December 1969) of a Comptroller of the Company to hold office during pleasure. Provided that this amending Act expire on March 31, 1970 or earlier by proclamation.

- 1970 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1970, S.C. 1969-70, c. 24.

Authorized (Vote 5b) continuing federal payments and agreements relating to the hospital insurance, the special welfare and the health grant programs under Schedule I of the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act for a period of 12 months beyond the periods specified in the Schedule of the Act as amended. (The special welfare program consists of old age assistance under the Old Age Assistance Act, blind persons allowances under the Blind Persons Act, disabled persons allowances under the Disabled Persons Act, unemployment assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, assistance and welfare services under the Canada Assistance Plan.)

- 1970 An Act to amend the Company of Young Canadians Act, S.C. 1969-70, c. 15; R.S.C. 1970, 1st Supplement, c. 9.

Provided that the corporation known as the Company of Young Canadians in English and as La Compagnie des jeunes Canadiens in French consist of the Council of the Company and persons who are officers, employees and volunteer-members of the Company.

Revised the membership of the Council to consist of not more than seven and not more than nine members appointed by the Governor in Council for not more than three years.

Provided that the Executive Director be appointed by the Governor in Council; deleted the provision that such appointment be made on the recommendation of the Council.

Restated the objectives of the Company to delete the reference to providing service abroad.

1970 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1970, S.C. 1969-70, 24.

Included in the Schedule for the Department of National Health and Welfare an amount (Vote 16b) for grants to the provinces representing termination of the Hospital Construction Grants and Contributions program for health capital facilities.

1970 The Federal Court Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 1 (Schedule B);  
R.S.C. 1970, c. 10 (2nd Supp.)

Repealed the provision under which divorce actions in Quebec and Newfoundland were heard in the Divorce Division of the Exchequer Court (renamed under the Federal Court Act, the Federal Court) and provided that divorce cases in Quebec be heard in the Superior Court of Quebec and in Newfoundland in the Supreme Court of the Province.

1970 Appropriation Act No. 4, 1970, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 4.

Included (Vote 12b) a special program of loans to the provinces for capital development projects in the 1970-71 and 1971-72 fiscal years. Loans to each province were based on a formula: that proportion of \$150 million that the number in that province of unemployed workers in excess of four percent of the labour force in the six-month period ending December 30, 1970 bears to the aggregate numbers in all provinces of unemployed workers in excess of four percent in the same period.

1970 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 9;  
(R.S.C. 1970, c. 21 (2nd Supp.).)

Set the monthly old age security pension at \$80 effective January 1, 1971, and removed the annual escalation provision.

Revised the residence requirements to require a person who has been absent from Canada during the ten years preceding the approval of his application for the pension to have been present in Canada prior to those ten years for a period equal to three times the aggregate period of absence during those ten years. Periods are calculated after the age of 18 years. (The previous requirement was double the periods absent and no minimum age from which the time was calculated was specified.)

Set the amount of the guaranteed income supplement at \$55 a month for a single person and at \$95 a month for a married couple, both of whom are pensioners, effective April 1, 1971. Provided for an annual escalation in accordance with the Pension Index applied to the combined monthly income of the old age security pension and the guaranteed income supplement, with the entire increase being added to the supplement.



Removed the requirement that a pensioner be born on or before December 31, 1910 in order to qualify for the guaranteed income supplement.

1971 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1971, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 25.

Authorized (Vote 7c) the continuation of federal payments in respect of the hospital insurance program, the special welfare program and the health grant program under the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act for a period of 24 months beyond the interim period specified in Schedule 1 of the Act as amended. (The special welfare program consists of old age assistance under the Old Age Assistance Act, blind persons allowances under the Blind Persons Act, disabled persons allowances under the Disabled Persons Act, unemployment assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, assistance and welfare services under the Canada Assistance Plan.)

1971 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1971, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 25.

Included (Vote L 13a) in the Schedule an amount of \$160 million for a special program to provide loans to provinces, provincial agencies and municipalities in the 1970-71 and 1971-72 fiscal years to assist in creating employment in areas where the number of unemployed workers was in excess of 4 percent of the labour force for the six-month period ending December 31, 1970. Specified that loans were to be made in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in agreements entered into between the Minister of Finance and the provinces. Set maximum amounts for each province, including provincial agencies and municipalities within that province.

1971 The Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 48.  
(Amended: S.C. 1973-74, c. 2.)

Replaced the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1955 as amended (R.S.C. 1970, c. U-2).

Extended coverage to all regular members of the labour force for whom an employer-employee relationship exists and provided that coverage, contributions and benefits cease at age 70. Included new provisions: maternity, sickness, and retirement benefits to persons with a major labour force attachment (i.e. 20 or more weeks of insured earnings). Provided for maternity benefits for eight weeks before confinement, the week of confinement and six weeks after. Provided for sickness benefits to a maximum of 15 weeks to persons whose earnings are interrupted because of illness, injury or quarantine (excluding workmen's compensation). Provided for a lump sum payment to persons 65-70 who have applied for pensions under the Canada Assistance Plan or the Quebec Pension and to persons over 70 years of age provided application is made within 32 weeks of the 70th birthday.

Reduced the qualifying period to 8 weeks of insured employment within the last year or since the start of the last benefit period whichever is shorter. (The former requirement was 30 weeks within the last two years of which 8 had to be within the last year.)

Provided for a period of extended benefits to those still unemployed when their initial benefits have been used. Provided for additional benefits based on the national and regional unemployment rates. Limited maximum benefit weeks to 51 through both initial and extended benefit stages.

Increased benefit rates to 2/3 of insured earnings during the qualifying weeks for a single person, 3/4 for a person with dependants whose earnings are \$50 a week or less, and to 2/3 for a person with dependants whose earnings are more than \$50 a week, with the rate increasing to 3/4 with the first week of extended benefit. Set a minimum benefit rate of \$20 and a maximum of \$100 weekly, and provided that these rates be reviewed annually.

1971 An Act to amend the Crop Insurance Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 29.

Provided that insurance coverage against loss arising when the seeding or planting of a crop is prevented by excess ground moisture, weather or other agricultural hazards is to be 80 percent of the average cost of: summer-fallowing of the land, cultivating the land, fertilizing the land, purchasing plants for transplanting and other preparation for seeding or planting a crop.

1971 An Act to amend the Pension Act and the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 31.

Provided that the Pension Act be "liberally construed and interpreted to the end that the recognized obligation of the people and Government of Canada to provide compensation to those members of the forces who have been disabled or have died as a result of military service, and to their dependants, may be fulfilled".

Contained substantial revisions to the Pension Act to extend benefits under the Act, including provision for an exceptional incapacity allowance, and made specific provision for pensions for members of the Hong Kong force and other prisoners of war of the Japanese.

Provided for the establishment of an independent Bureau of Pensions Advocates to succeed the Veterans Bureau, specified that members be appointed from among persons who are members of the war in any province to provide, on request, a counselling service to applicants and pensioners in respect of the Act.

Replaced appeal boards with Entitlement Boards, likewise consisting of three members of the Canadian Pension Commission. Provided that persons dissatisfied with any decision of the Commission with respect to the amount of an award might request a hearing by two members of the Commission or by an Entitlement Board.

Established a Pension Review Board, consisting of a chairman and four other members appointed by the Governor in Council for five years, to hear appeals from applicants dissatisfied with a decision of two members of the Commission or of an Entitlement Board. The decision of the board is final and binding.

Amended the Civilian and War Pensions Allowances Act. Removed the requirement that application for pension be made within one year of the occurrence of the liability and provided for pensions to disabled prisoners of war of the Japanese and in respect of deceased prisoners of war of the Japanese.

- 1971 An Act to amend the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 32.

Provided that pensions be awarded in accordance with the rates in Schedules A and B of the Pension Act in respect of disability or death caused by a war service injury.

- 1971 An Act to amend the Pension Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 34.

Set the amount of a pension at not more than \$804 a year, which the Canadian Pension Commission might award to a parent or person in place of a parent who was wholly or substantially maintained by a member of the forces who died leaving a widow or divorced wife entitled to a pension. Increased the scale of pensions for disabilities and the scale of pensions for death effective April 1, 1971.

- 1971 An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, 1952, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 35.

Included a revised Schedule A - Table of Allowances showing increased monthly rates for each class of recipient and the maximum total annual income including the allowance. (Increases amounted to 15 percent).

- 1971 Appropriation Act No. 4, 1971, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 58.

Included (Vote L19a) a section on Federal-Provincial Employment Loans Program 1971, which authorized \$160.5 million to assist provinces, provincial agencies and municipalities under terms and condition of agreements between the Minister of Finance and the provinces.



1971 Appropriation Act No. 4, 1971, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 58.

Authorized funds to be paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for items in the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1972. The Supplementary Estimates (A) contained an item under Welfare Assistance and Services for the Department of National Health and Welfare: Grants to assist in the development of welfare oriented provincial and voluntary family planning services and for specific projects in this area - \$300,000.

(The Family Planning Division of the Department of National Health and Welfare was formed in January 1972 to provide a centre of responsibility for the federal family planning program, the objective of which is to ensure the accessibility and availability of family planning services to all Canadians who want them. The program includes consultation, information and Family Planning Grants for the support of family planning services and demonstration, training and research projects.)

1971 An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act and the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 62.

Repealed Subsections 24(1) and (2) of the Old Age Security Act relating to the old age security tax of three percent on the sale price of all goods in respect of which tax is payable under Section 27 of the Excise Tax Act.

1971 The Income Tax Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 63, Part II.

Amended the Old Age Security Act to repeal those provisions respecting the Old Age Security tax of 4 percent or \$240 on personal taxable income and the 3 percent tax on corporate income. Authorized the Minister of National Revenue to credit to the Old Age Security Fund an amount which in his opinion would be equal to the net amount that would have been collected had the provisions respecting the collection of the Old Age Security taxes on personal and corporate incomes and the sales tax under the Excise Tax Act not been repealed.

1972 Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act, 1972, S.C. 1972, c. 8.

Provided for the following payments to the provinces by the Minister of Finance: (1) provincial revenue equalization payments (Part I); (2) provincial revenue stabilization payments for each fiscal year in the period April 1, 1972 to March 31, 1977 (Part II); (3) payments in respect of the taxes collected under personal income and corporation tax collection income agreements (Part III); (4) provincial tax revenue guarantee payments for each fiscal year for the period April 1, 1972 to March 31, 1977 (Part IV); (5) transfer payments in respect of any tax paid under Part IX of the Income Tax Act by a corporation (Part V).

Provided for post-secondary education adjustment payments by the Secretary of State to a province for each fiscal year in the period April 1, 1972 to March 31, 1974 (Part VI).

Amended the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act to authorize an extension of the contracting-out period for hospital insurance to December 31, 1977 and for the special welfare program (the Blind Persons Act, the Disabled Persons Act, the Unemployment Assistance Act and the Canada Assistance Plan) to March 31, 1977. Increased the tax abatement associated with the hospital insurance program from 14 to 16 individual income tax points and the tax abatement associated with the special welfare program from 4 to 5 individual tax points.

1972 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1972, c. 10.

Provided for an annual adjustment in the basic pension of \$80 a month from January 1, 1972 and thereafter from April 1 of each year starting in 1973 in accordance with the full increase in the Consumer Price Index. (This brought the pension to \$82.88 as of January 1972.)

Authorized payment to be continued for any period the recipient remains out of Canada beyond six months if he established that at the time he left Canada he had resided in Canada for at least 20 years after attaining the age of 18.

Raised the amount of the Guaranteed Annual Supplement effective January 1, 1972, to \$67.12 a month for a single person or a married person with an ineligible spouse and \$59.62 a month each for a married couple when both are eligible. Provided for annual escalation from April 1, 1973, in accordance with the full increase in the Consumer Price Index.

1972 An Act to amend Pension Act, the War Veterans Allowances Act, the Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act and the Department of Veterans Affairs Act to provide for the annual adjustments of pensions and allowances payable thereunder. S.C. 1972, c. 12.

Provided for annual adjustments of pensions and allowances in accordance with increases in the Consumer Price Index.

1972 An Act to amend the Adult Occupational Training Act, S.C. 1972, c. 14.

Amended the existing definition of adult ("a person whose age is at least one year greater than the regular school leaving age in the province in which he resides") to include "a person who is engaged in domestic service at home whether or not such person has at any time been a member of the labour force."

Removed the requirement that an adult eligible for training must have been a member of the labour force for at least three years and have one or more persons substantially dependent upon him, to permit an adult who has not attended school for at least twelve months since attaining the regular school leaving age to be enrolled in an occupational training course.

1973 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1973, S.C. 1973-74, c. 3.

Authorized payment from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for items set forth in the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1973.

(This Act contained no specific reference to the New Horizons' Program. See Supplementary Estimates A for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1973 which contained an item under National Welfare Grants for contributions toward projects aimed at providing opportunities for people retired from the labour force to help themselves and other Canadians and the Community (New Horizons) in the amount of \$6,150,000. The program, introduced in September 1972, and originally designed as an experimental program, was confirmed as a continuing program in 1974.) Administered by the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

1973 Appropriation Act No. 1, 1973, S.C. 1973-74, c. 3.

Included an amount of \$350 million for a Winter Capital Projects Fund Program (Vote L12a) of loans by the Department of Finance to provinces, provincial agencies and municipalities in the 1972-73 to 1975-76 fiscal years inclusive to create employment through construction of capital development projects in the period December 6, 1972 to June 30, 1975.

1973 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 8.

Set the amount of the basic old age security pension at \$100 a month effective April, 1973.

1973 An Act to amend the War Veterans Allowance Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 9.

Included a revised Table of allowances applicable to all classes of recipients.

1973 An Act to amend the National Housing Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 18.

Authorized loans under section 15 for the total lending value of a project to a non-profit corporation that: is constituted exclusively for charitable purposes; or is a cooperative association constructing, acquiring or improving a housing project with the intention of providing housing to persons, the majority of whom are members of the association who will occupy the housing otherwise than as owners upon completion of the project; or is a housing corporation all of the shares of which are owned by a municipality or an agent of a municipality.



Authorized Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to make a contribution to a non-profit corporation in any of the above categories for a purpose for which a loan may be made up to 10 percent of the capital cost of the project.

Added Part III.1, Neighborhood Improvement Program, under which C.M.H.C. was authorized to make contributions and loans to or for the benefit of municipalities in a province to improve the amenities of neighborhoods and the housing and living conditions of the residents of such neighborhoods. Provided that agreements between the Corporation and a province set the criteria under which contributions or loans are to be made.

Added Part IV.1, Rehabilitation and Conversion of Existing Residential Buildings, to provide for loans to the owner of a family housing unit or of housing accommodation of the hostel or dormitory type to assist in the repair, rehabilitation and improvement of the unit under specified circumstances.

Added Part IV.2, Loans to Facilitate Home Ownership, to provide for loans to assist in the construction or acquisition of a house or the acquisition of a condominium unit by an individual where unit costs do not exceed an amount prescribed by regulation and where each unit will be occupied by not less than a specified number of persons. Authorized the Corporation to make a loan or contribution to assist in the construction, acquisition or improvement of a housing project by a cooperative association.

Added Part VI.1, New Communities, to authorize the Corporation to undertake jointly with the provinces a project for the acquisition of lands for a new community, the planning of the new community and the designing and installation of utilities and other services.

Authorized loans to Indians, as defined in the Indian Act, to assist in the purchase, improvement or construction of housing projects on Indian reserves.

1973 An Act to amend the Pension Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 19.

Set the amount of discretionary pension payable on the death of a member of the forces to a parent or person in place of a parent wholly or substantially maintained by the member prior to or during his enlistment at a maximum of \$1,050 per year each if the member also left a widow or divorced wife entitled to a pension; if both parents were dependent upon the member, the pension for one may be increased by an additional amount of up to \$501 a year.

Included revised Schedules A (Scale of Pensions for Disabilities) and B (Scale of Pensions for Death).

1973 An Act to amend the Family Allowances and the Youth Allowances Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 34.

Repealed those sections of the Family Allowances Act and the Youth Allowances Act relating to amounts of allowances. Substituted a section authorizing payment of a monthly allowance of \$12 for each eligible child, effective October 1, 1973. (Intended as an interim measure pending implementation of a new Act to be effective from January 1, 1974.)

1973 An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 35.

Changed from annually to quarterly beginning October, 1973 the adjustment period in which the old age security pension and the guaranteed income supplement are revised in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index. Provided that no reduction in the pension or supplement would be made in any period in which the Consumer Price Index is lower than the previous period.

1973 An Act to amend the Crop Insurance Act, S.C. 1973-74, c. 33.

Provided that where an agreement with a province does not provide for a federal contribution toward expenses of administration, the federal government would contribute the lesser of the amount of premiums paid by the province or 50 percent of the premiums paid in respect of policies of insurance in that year. (Where an agreement provides for a federal contribution to expenses of administration, the share of total premiums paid was set at 25 percent in 1966, an increase from 20 percent authorized in 1959.)

1973 An Act to amend the Canada Pension Plan (No. 2), S.C. 1973-74, c. 41.  
(Proclaimed in force from January 1, 1974.)

Increased the amount of a Year's Maximum Pensionable Earnings from \$5,600 to \$6,600 for 1974 and \$7,400 for 1975. (This had the effect of increasing the Year's Basic Exemption from \$600 to \$700.)

Provided that effective January 1, 1974 retirement and other benefits be escalated annually to reflect fully increases in prices as measured by the Consumer Price Index and that all benefits payable for each of the years 1968 to 1973 be recalculated and increased in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index as though the Pension Index limitation of 2 percent which existed prior to 1974 had never been in effect.

1973 The Family Allowances Act, 1973, S.C. 1973-74, c. 44. (Proclaimed in force from January 1, 1974.)

Repealed and replaced the Family Allowances Act (R.S.C. 1970, c. F-1) and the Youth Allowances Act (R.S.C. 1970, c. Y-1).

Authorized the payment from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of family allowances on behalf of children under eighteen years of age wholly or substantially maintained by a parent resident in Canada. At least one parent must: be a Canadian citizen, have landed immigrant status, or have been admitted to Canada as a non-immigrant in prescribed circumstances.

Set the amount of the allowance at \$20 per child per month with provision for a province to vary by legislation the amount according to the age of the child or the number of children in the family or both.

Required a minimum allowance per child of at least 60 percent of the authorized amount with the total payments for each three-year period equal to an amount had \$20 per child been paid.

Provided that a family allowance ceases to be payable if the child or the parent maintaining the child ceases to be resident in Canada or the child reaches the age of eighteen, dies or ceases to be wholly or substantially maintained by a parent.

Specified that the allowance be paid to the mother, if any, or to such parent or other person or agency authorized to receive it.

Specified that a family allowance is not subject to any law relating to bankruptcy or insolvency and that it cannot be assigned, charged, attached, anticipated or given as security.

Provided for special allowances for children not in the custody of their parents but living in a family foster home, a group foster home or an institution and being wholly maintained by a department or agency of the government of Canada or a province or by an agency appointed by a province to administer any law for the care and protection of children, or wholly maintained by an institution authorized by provincial law to have the care and custody of children under 18 years of age.

Set the amount of a special allowance at the same rate as a family allowance, and to cease to be payable when the child ceases to be a resident of Canada, reaches the age of eighteen, dies, ceases to be maintained by the department, agency or institution referred to above or ceases to reside in the private home of foster parents.

Specified that a special allowance is not subject to tax under any Act of Parliament and may not be assigned, charged, attached, anticipated or given as security.

Provided that the amount of family allowance and special allowance be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index, but no change to be made if there is a decrease in the Consumer Price Index.

Provided that any person, department, agency or institution dissatisfied with a decision under the Act that no allowance is payable may appeal to a tribunal established in accordance with the regulations. Authorized the tribunal to confirm or vary the decision so made, and upon application made to it or to the Minister based on evidence not previously considered it may rescind or amend any decision made by it.

Amended the Income Tax Act to require the inclusion of the family allowance in computing income for income tax purposes, except in a province which does not permit a deduction for the child for whom a family allowance is received.



















